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New Oxfords

We are showing a swell line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Oxfords at popular prices. Just received two new styles in Patent Strap Sandals and Button Oxfords, they are shoe perfection, price \$3.50 and \$3.00. We want your shoe business and are making special effort to please our customers on shoes both in style and quality.

Special values in Men's Wool Pants, \$2.50. Try a pair.

We have a few Ladies' Spring Jackets to close out at a bargain. All new styles.

Our stock is complete and we solicit a share of your valued patronage.

Campbell's Store

Successor to CAMPBELL & HOLLISTER
DALLAS, OREGON

ELECTRICITY

FOR LIGHTING

Is only expensive to people who are wasteful and careless. To you who are naturally careful, it does not come high.

It is economical because it can be quickly turned off when not needed. With gas or kerosene there is the temptation to let light burn when not needed to save bother of lighting and adjusting. In some homes the electric light bills amount to only one or two dollars per month. You can probably get some kind of artificial light for less money than electric light, but does it save you anything when it limits opportunities for work and recreation—ruins your eyesight—smokes your walls—mars decorations and increases household work. You could probably save a dollar tomorrow by going without your meals but it wouldn't be economy. It is not so much what you save, but how you save that counts.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO. RATES—Residence on meters, per Kilowatt 15c; Residence, flat per month, 16c 50c. RATES FOR BUSINESS HOUSES—25c per drop and 5c per Kilowatt up to 10 drops; over 10 per drop and 5c per Kilowatt. A drop figures 10c of less. For power rates apply at the office. We are always ready to explain the "ins and outs" of the lighting proposition to you, call on us or phone to us, we are never too busy to talk business.

Willamette Valley Company

E. W. KEARNS, Manager for Dallas.
Office on Mill street, just north of the Court House. Phones Bell 421, Mutual 127.

FISHING SEASON

Opened April 1st and we are prepared to furnish you the right kind of tackle at the right price.

SPALDING BASE BALL GOODS

We are headquarters for the famous Spalding line and do not lie down for any others. Give us a call.

W. R. Ellis' Confectionery

Up-to-date Candy Kitchen in rear. We invite you to inspect it

Trusses That Fit

If you are ruptured the Smithsonian is the only truss for you to use. One of our customers, after trying every truss for years with no satisfaction, wore a Smithsonian about two years and was entirely cured of his rupture. Another customer a Gentleman Eighty years old had for years suffered torture from wearing trusses that did no good, we fitted years with a Smithsonian truss and today he is going about his usual vocation with ease and comfort.

Did you ever know of any other truss equally as good?
No matter how long standing your rupture, we can certainly do you good and in most cases effect an entire cure.
No Extra Charge for Fitting.

The Fuller Pharmacy

DALLAS' POPULAR GROCERY

We carry the famous DIAMOND "W" brand of Extracts, Spices, Coffee, Tea and Canned goods. Fresh bread daily. The very best of fruits and vegetables can always be found at our store.

Simonton & Scott Dallas, Oregon

SALEM CHAPTER VISITS

Naomi Chapter, O. E. S., Entertains Guests from Capitol City.

One of the pleasant lodge events of the year in Dallas was the visit paid by thirty-seven members of Capitol Chapter, No. 27, Order of Eastern Star to Naomi Chapter, No. 22, of this city, last Friday evening. The visitors came from Salem on the regular evening train and spent a pleasant hour calling on old-time friends and acquaintances before the opening of the lodge session.

At eight o'clock the visitors and the members of the local chapter gathered in the lodge room and witnessed the conferring of the degree on two candidates. The lodge had been beautifully decorated for the occasion with ferns, palms and cut flowers, and the impressive manner in which the degree was conferred added much to the enjoyment of the session. Following the degree work, an elaborate supper was served in the banquet hall. Delightful informal talks were given by a number of the visitors. C. L. Starr, the popular secretary of the Oregon Tax Commission, was among the guests, and in response to a request for a few remarks, told a story that convulsed his audience with merriment. After a pleasant social hour at table, the guests returned to the depot at 11 o'clock, where a special train was waiting to carry them back to Salem.

Among the visitors were: Mrs. J. W. Wilson, Mrs. L. J. Howell, Mary Squire, Estelle Hanson, Ida B. Godfrey, Florence P. Shumrock, Agnes E. Johnson, Ida M. Wyatt, Mrs. M. M. McCauley, Mrs. George H. Dunsford, Mrs. R. E. Downing, Eugenia Gillingham, Jane A. Chadwick, Miriam Burnett, Bessie L. Savage, Mrs. Roy Davis, Mary Chadwick, Lena Cherrington, Jennie H. Thibault, Ruth M. Brown, Grace Patterson, George Chapman, Edna Simonton, Mrs. Milton Meyers, Messrs. H. M. Bronson, A. W. Howell, J. S. Wyant, George G. Brown, George H. Dunsford, W. M. Cherrington, Judge George H. Burnett, C. L. Starr, James Godfrey, Joseph Bernhardt and H. W. Thibault.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Comings and Goings as Told by Our Exchanges.

Mrs. J. L. Hyde, went to Falls City, Sunday morning, where she will spend several months on a visit.—Portland Leader.

L. L. Shreve had business in Portland the first of the week.—Arlington Record.

Chas. Morrison, the Elk City merchant, was in the city Monday evening. While here he purchased a hollow wire gas lighting system for his store.—Toledo Leader.

Cricket Bevens, of Abilene, was in the neighborhood buying stock the latter part of last week.—Albany Herald.

B. F. Mulvey and J. W. Rogers of Ashland, have been elected delegates to the Knights of Pythias grand lodge session that meets in Portland. They will represent Granite Lodge, No. 23, of Ashland.—Medford Tribune.

James Clow, a Southern Pacific engineer, has located in this city with his family, having been transferred from Portland to a run out of Roseburg.—Roseburg Review.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. R. Snyder arrived from Wrangell, Alaska, last Friday night and are visiting with their daughters, Mrs. T. J. Warren and Mrs. Willard Cook.—McMinnville Telephone-Register.

M. F. Corrigan, who has been instrumental on different occasions in placing other people behind the bars, has now been placed in a similar position. He took his place there in the First National Bank on Tuesday, where he will serve his time and also the public as well.—McMinnville Reporter.

E. W. Treanor has sold his grocery business located next to the Postoffice to E. F. Anderson, who has recently come here from Kansas.—McMinnville Reporter.

HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

Superintendent of Hood River School Offers Valuable Suggestions.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 14.—(To the Editor.)—I note that Dallas has voted \$40,000 bonds and is to have a new school building. You ought to get a fine one for the amount. We have a 11-room building, built of brick, with a full 11-foot cement basement. The manual departments are in the basement, with fourteen rooms on the two floors above. The building cost approximately \$27,000, including \$2500 for the heating plant. We do not have a suitable assembly room, but the building was constructed with the idea that it would become a grade building in the near future.

There are two points relative to school buildings that it seems to me have been overlooked long enough. One is the lighting; the other, the toilet. The windows should be on one side of the room only, to avoid cross lights. A toilet for boys and another for girls is a poor arrangement. It is impossible to oversee such toilets and the conduct there, while if there was a toilet opening off each school room, the teacher could control the situation as in the home, and the arrangement would redound in better moral conditions in the school.

EDS. E. COAD.

Odd Fellows Will Build

The Odd Fellows of Forest Grove have awarded the contract for their new lodge home. The structure will be 24 by 140 feet, with three stories on the first floor, ten offices on the second floor, and lodge rooms in the third story. The building will be built of concrete block, and will have a full concrete basement. The new lodge home will cost \$12,500, and will be the finest public building in Forest Grove.

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While the precaution suggested in this article is a good one, there is but little danger from the source mentioned, as the facts do not show that any great number of brood sows are being marketed at this time. At the South St. Paul market it is next to impossible to find any piggy sows being offered for sale. About the only sows being offered are those that have about ended their days of usefulness in the breeding pen and these are only being sold from herds that have younger sows ready to take their place. The demand for brood sows throughout the country has been so strong that even the high prices were no inducement for selling the sows on the open market. There are instances where grade sows have brought \$40 per head at farm sales, and every breeder of pure-bred hogs has had clean out of brood sows and at highly satisfactory prices. The men who are buying these sows are the same ones that sold their sows and quit the hog business two years ago. It is always the same old story of everybody rushing into the business when prices are high, and rushing out when they are low; and it is the presence of exactly the same people that must always cause sharp fluctuations in the prices of pork and other farm products.

While prophesies regarding future values are always worthless, it remains certain that a high level of prices will be maintained until another big supply of hogs is ready for market. This supply is easier to produce than any other class of farm live stock. With cattle and horses it takes from three to five years to produce a crop of marketable age. With hogs, a man can purchase a sow and have her pigs ready for market inside of twelve months. While this year's hog crop will no doubt be much larger than that of last year, it is hardly likely that the recent shortage can be converted into an over-supply in a single year. However, if present prices maintain for another year, the crop of 1911 is likely to be a record breaker. No man who has a good crop of spring pigs this year should worry about not getting well paid for them.

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WHAT ABOUT OUR MEAT

HIGH PRICES AND THE FUTURE PORK SUPPLY.

Farmers Should Study Problems Surrounding Production and Marketing of Hogs.

At a period when any commodity is selling at an unusually high level, three questions naturally arise. The first of these is, what caused the unusual prices; the second, how long will they be maintained; the third, what is the future of the commodity. The present winter and spring have found live hogs selling at figures far in excess of all previous records, and many well informed parties seem to think that the top has not yet been reached. The man who has pork to sell is rejoicing. The man who has pork to buy is complaining. Both are asking the questions just mentioned. Some people with more haste than hard sense suggested a meat boycott as a remedy for the high-cost evil, but this idea has already died a most timely death. The fact remains that the supply of hogs is ready for market. This supply is easier to produce than any other class of farm live stock. With cattle and horses it takes from three to five years to produce a crop of marketable age. With hogs, a man can purchase a sow and have her pigs ready for market inside of twelve months. While this year's hog crop will no doubt be much larger than that of last year, it is hardly likely that the recent shortage can be converted into an over-supply in a single year. However, if present prices maintain for another year, the crop of 1911 is likely to be a record breaker. No man who has a good crop of spring pigs this year should worry about not getting well paid for them.

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